

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The specification is amended to update a cross-reference to related applications and incorporate amendments to the specification that were made in the parent application (Serial No. 10/279,496).

Claims 2-26 are added herein. Claim 1 is cancelled. Support for the new claims can be found throughout the specification.

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants believe all the pending claims are in condition for allowance and should be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would in any way expedite the prosecution of the application, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at (650) 623-0667.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew L. Filler
Reg. No. 44,107

CALIPER LIFE SCIENCES, INC.
605 Fairchild Drive
Mountain View, CA 94043
Tel: 650-623-0667
Fax: 650-623-0504